

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR BOB

Welcome to Abundant Life! We are really glad you are with us today. Our desire is that you will feel right at home as we sing and worship, pray and grow together. If you have any questions feel free to ask. We are ready to serve you and your family in any way we can.

Easter is over but the promise of the Resurrection lives on, more real and as powerful as ever. The Easter Celebration is a wonderful picture of the victory that we have through Jesus Christ as He rose victorious over ALL His and our enemies.

You are well aware of the devastation that has been wrought by the storms of recent weeks throughout the south and beyond. Hundreds of people have lost their lives in what has become a record-breaking spring for storms and tornado activity in our nation. The pictures have been horrific as not only homes and neighborhoods have been destroyed but even towns have almost been wiped off the map by the fierce storms.

The scenario has reminded me of several things:

The brevity and uncertainty of life. People were living, laughing and enjoying life and then in a matter of minutes their worlds have been shattered by the destructive forces of the storm.

The power of our God, He still calms the storms of life and He is the only comfort in times such as these.

Our nation and world is in need of a mighty move of the Spirit of God.

I don't think it coincidental that Thursday, May 5 is the National Day of Prayer. As followers of Jesus Christ we have a responsibility and privilege to lift our voices in united prayer on behalf of our nation and our world on Thursday. There are three opportunities right here in Mooresville for you to join with us as we seek God to forgive us of our sin and to heal our land. Please see the announcement about the National Day of Prayer events. Wednesday would be our regular day of prayer & fasting at Abundant Life, but will you shift your plans to Thursday to fast and pray in seeking God for our nation, families and for those whose worlds have been rocked by the storms of recent weeks?

God has promised to act in response to the sincere prayers of His people. Let's pray instead of complain and see what God does!

Blessings!
Pastor Bob

Wednesday Nights Worship and the Word—6:30 PM Pastor Bob continues teaching from the book of acts through April 18th.

PRAYER REQUESTS / NEEDS

Craig and Teresa Moore—“unspoken”

Tony Mims—recovering at home following cardiac procedure

Justin Offenberger—(Lisa and Kent's son)—“unspoken”

“Miss Jo” Smith—shingles

Jimmie Cagle—home with Deborah and Steve Freeman

Betty Richards—recovering at home from fall, both legs broken

Nancy Newcomb—healing of ALS

Paul & Ruth Bass— strength & healing

Patsy Wilson—Emphysema

Serenity House—for God's blessings & provision

Please remember to pray for our worship team and all of our church ministries as they seek the release of God's gifts in and through their ministry teams.

MAY AT ABUNDANT LIFE

Thursday, May 5—Noon—**National Day of Prayer** gathering around the flagpole at the Mooresville Town Hall.

Thursday, May 5—Monthly day of Prayer and Fasting—National Day of Prayer Gathering at Abundant Life 6:30-7:30 PM

Saturday, May 7—Foursquare Missions Encounter. 8:30 AM –3 PM.

Tuesday, May 10—Ladies ALOFT meeting “Mixed or Tossed”!

Saturday, May 14—Race City Festival—Community Outreach

Sunday, May 15—Church Council Meeting 4 PM

Sunday, May 15—The *LEAD*ing Edge 6 PM

Saturday, May 21—Church Picnic at Edgemore Park 3PM until dark

Sunday, May 22—Youth and Family bowling immediately after church.

Wednesday, May 25—Wednesday Nite *LIVE!*

Youth Summer Camp Registration—Ages 6th-12th Grades. Must be turned in by June 1st. Cost: \$200 per camper. Please see Pastor Shari!

Saturday, May 7 from 8:30AM – 3PM—Foursquare Missions Encounter at New Hope Foursquare Church in Concord, NC. Please see Pastor Bob if you are interested in attending. District and National Foursquare Missions Representatives will be sharing about Foursquare Missions ministry.

Saturday Evening Prayer

6:30-7:30 PM in the sanctuary. Come for the whole hour or come for a few minutes! Prayer makes all the difference!